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Improvements in and relating to Stirrup-leathers.

I, WILLIAM JOSEPH DAVIS, of "Chesham", Gordon Hill, Enfield, in the County of Middlesex, do hereby declare the nature of this invention to be as follows:—

This invention relates to stirrup-leathers and has for its object to provide a stirrup-leather capable of being extended for the purpose of mounting the horse, and when the horse is mounted, of being readily re-adjusted to the riding length.

According to this invention the stirrup leather is provided towards its buckle end with a clasp adapted to engage the said buckle, thus forming a loop in the stirrup-leather. By disengaging the clasp from the buckle the stirrup leather is lengthened for the purpose of mounting the horse, and when the horse is mounted the clasp is re-engaged with the buckle and the stirrup-leather brought to its normal length for riding.

According to one embodiment of my invention I employ a supplementary strap, one end of which is provided with the usual buckle but having a hook in addition to the tongue, while the opposite end is attached to a clasp secured to the stirrup leather. This clasp is formed with an eye to receive the hook of the buckle and may be provided with a spring mounted catch adapted to engage in a recess in the said hook, thereby retaining the hook in engagement with the clasp.

Normally the clasp and the buckle are in engagement with each other, the stirrup leather being then of the desired riding length. Before mounting the horse the clasp is disengaged from the buckle, thereby lowering the stirrup to the extent of the supplementary strap. The rider having mounted the horse the clasp is re-engaged with the buckle and the stirrup leather thereby brought to its normal length.

A stirrup-leather constructed in the manner described is particularly adapted for use in mounting a tall or a restive horse; when, to facilitate mounting, it is usual for the rider to lengthen the stirrup leather and having mounted to re-adjust same. With a stirrup leather as commonly constructed great difficulty is experienced by the rider when mounted in re-adjusting the stirrup leather.

Dated this 24th day of April, 1911.

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COMPLETE SPECIFICATION.

Improvements in and relating to Stirrup-leathers.

I, WILLIAM JOSEPH DAVIS, of "Chesham", Gordon Hill, Enfield, in the County of Middlesex, do hereby declare the nature of this invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement and accompanying drawing:—

This invention relates to stirrup-leathers and has for its object to provide a  
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stirrup-leather capable of being extended for the purpose of mounting the horse, and when the horse is mounted, of being readily re-adjusted to the riding length.

According to this invention the stirrup leather is provided towards its buckle end with a clasp adapted to engage the said buckle, thus forming a loop in the stirrup-leather. By disengaging the clasp from the buckle the stirrup-leather is lengthened for the purpose of mounting the horse, and when the horse is mounted the clasp is re-engaged with the buckle and the stirrup-leather brought to its normal length for riding.

An embodiment of my invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, 10 in which:—

Figure 1 shows the stirrup-leather in side elevation and looped.

Figure 2 is a face view and Figure 3 a side elevation of the buckle, and

Figures 4 and 5 are views similar to Figures 2 and 3 of the clasp.

According to one embodiment of my invention I employ a supplementary strap 1, one end of which is provided with the usual buckle 2, but having a hook 3 in addition to the tongue, while the opposite end is attached to a clasp 4 secured to the stirrup leather 5. This clasp is formed with an eye 6 to receive the hook of the buckle and may be provided with a spring mounted catch adapted to engage in a recess in the said hook, thereby retaining the hook in engagement with the clasp. In the construction illustrated, the catch is dispensed with and the hook 3 of the buckle 2 is recessed to form a projection 7 which serves as a stop to prevent the clasp 4 becoming unhooked.

Normally the clasp and the buckle are in engagement with each other, as shown in Figure 1, the stirrup leather being then of the desired riding length. To lengthen the stirrup leather before mounting the horse, the clasp 4 is disengaged from the buckle 2; by turning the former into the dotted position shown in Figure 1 and unhooking it from the buckle; the stirrup being now lowered to the extent of the supplementary strap 1. The rider having mounted the horse the clasp is re-engaged with the buckle and the stirrup leather thereby brought to its normal length.

A stirrup-leather constructed in the manner described is particularly adapted for use in mounting a tall or a restive horse, when, to facilitate mounting, it is usual for the rider to lengthen the stirrup leather and having mounted to re-adjust same. With a stirrup-leather as commonly constructed great difficulty is experienced by the rider when mounted in re-adjusting the stirrup leather.

Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, I declare that what I claim is:—

1. A stirrup leather provided towards its buckle end with a clasp adapted to engage with said buckle so as to form a loop in the stirrup-leather, thereby enabling the stirrup to be shortened or lengthened as desired.

2. A stirrup leather the buckle of which is mounted at one end of a supplementary strap, the opposite end of which is secured to a clasp terminating the stirrup-leather; the buckle and the clasp being adapted to engage with each other for the purpose of shortening the stirrup and to be disengaged when the stirrup is to be lengthened.

3. A stirrup leather constructed substantially as described with reference to the accompanying drawings.

Dated this 22nd day of September, 1911.

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[This Drawing is a reproduction of the Original on a reduced scale.]

